



State of Wisconsin  
2021 - 2022 LEGISLATURE

LRB-1582/P2  
EVM:cdc

DOA:.....Aslesen, BB0520 - Pilot local road aids for critical infrastructure

**FOR 2021-2023 BUDGET -- NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION**

AN ACT ...; relating to: the budget.

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*Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

**TRANSPORTATION**

**TRANSPORTATION AIDS**

***Local infrastructure grant program***

This bill establishes a local road aids for critical infrastructure grant program within the DOT. Under the program, DOT makes grants to political subdivisions for the reconstruction to a higher standard durability of a culvert or bridge. Bridges and culverts eligible for grants under the program must be owned by the political subdivision and must be at risk of being damaged by future extreme storm water events. Grants under the program may cover up to 50 percent of the cost of the reconstruction project. This bill also authorizes the issuance of \$15,000,000 in public debt for the purpose of making grants under this program.

For further information see the state and local fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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***The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:***

**SECTION 1.** 20.395 (6) (aq) of the statutes is amended to read:

20.395 (6) (aq) *Principal repayment and interest, transportation facilities, state highway rehabilitation, major highway projects, electric vehicle infrastructure projects, local infrastructure grants, state funds.* A sum sufficient to reimburse s. 20.866 (1) (u) for the payment of principal and interest costs incurred in financing the acquisition, construction, development, enlargement, or improvement of transportation facilities under ss. 84.51, 84.52, 84.53, 85.08 (2) (L) and (4m) (c) and (d), 85.09, and 85.095 (2), state highway rehabilitation projects, as provided under ss. 20.866 (2) (uut) and (uuv) and 84.57, major highway projects, as provided under ss. 20.866 (2) (uus) and (uuv) and 84.56, and major interstate bridge projects, as provided under ss. 20.866 (2) (ugm) and 84.016, funding electric vehicle infrastructure projects under ss. 20.866 (2) (usd) and 85.53, local road aids for critical infrastructure grants, as provided under ss. 20.866 (2) (usb) and 86. 35, and to make payments under an agreement or ancillary arrangement entered into under s. 18.06 (8) (a).

\*\*\*NOTE: This SECTION involves a change in an appropriation that must be reflected in the revised schedule in s. 20.005, stats.

\*\*\*NOTE: This is reconciled s. 20.395 (6) (aq). This SECTION has been affected by drafts with the following LRB numbers:-1582/p2, -1726/p2, and -1951/p2.

**SECTION 2.** 20.866 (2) (usb) of the statutes is created to read:

20.866 (2) (usb) *Transportation, local road aids for critical infrastructure.*

From the capital improvement fund, a sum sufficient for the department of transportation to provide grants for local road aids for critical infrastructure. The state may contract public debt in an amount not to exceed \$15,000,000 for this purpose.

**SECTION 3.** 86.35 of the statutes is created to read:

**86.35 Local road aids for critical infrastructure. (1)** In this section:

(a) “Eligible applicant” means a city, village, town, or county.

(b) “Eligible project” means a project that satisfies the requirements of sub. (3).

**(2)** The department shall develop and administer a local road aids for critical infrastructure program.

**(3)** A project is eligible for funding under this section if all of the following apply:

(a) The project is for the reconstruction of a culvert or bridge to a higher standard durability.

(b) The culvert or bridge under par. (a) is owned by the eligible applicant that is applying for the grant.

(c) The culvert or bridge under par. (a) is at risk of being damaged by future extreme storm water events.

**(4)** (a) From the appropriation under s. 20.866 (2) (usb), the department shall award grants to reimburse eligible applicants for moneys expended on eligible projects.

(b) The department shall promulgate rules prescribing the form, nature, and extent of information that shall be contained in applications for grants under this section and shall establish criteria for evaluating applications and for awarding grants under this section. The criteria for awarding grants under this section shall prioritize grants for eligible projects most at risk from future extreme storm water events.

(c) The amount of a grant awarded under this section may not exceed 50 percent of the cost of the project.

**(END)**